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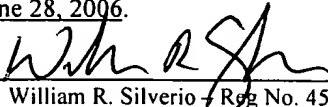
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is the following paper in the above-identified application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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Sir or Madam:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated March 28, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. In light of these amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully assert that all of the claims are patentable, and that the application be allowed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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